



Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers, Staff, Governors and children,

I hope you have an enjoyable half-term break and the sun continues to shine! I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 5th June.

Netball Club

Please note there will be no Netball Club on Tuesday 6th June as Mrs Hill will be accompanying our Year 6s to Braeside. The Club will be back to normal the following week.

Zebras' Worship

Year 4 will be leading Worship on the theme of "Truth" on Thursday 15th June at 9:10 am in the hall. All parents, grandparents etc of Zebras' children are welcome.

Ticks

Just a reminder that as the year progresses the children are likely to be on the field during break and lunchtime, please, therefore, check your child regularly for ticks. A very useful leaflet has been produced by The Royal Parks entitled "Tick Bites and Lyme Disease" which can be found on their website www.royalparks.org.uk. This gives information about preventing tick bites and minimising the risk of infection from Lyme Disease.

Mini marathon

Our runners did really well last Saturday at the Mini marathon – a particular mention to MS who came in 3rd place in the Under 11 Boys race and our Under 9 Boys and our Under 11 Boys both came in 3rd place overall. One of our parents commented on how impressed she was by the support and encouragement the children gave each other. My huge thanks to staff and parents who supported and particularly Mrs Telfer and Mrs Wilkinson for accompanying the team, Mrs Compton for the photos and Mr Compton for lugging the impressive new gazebo to Laverstock for us. A big well done to all our runners!

Bikeability

Thank you to our Bikeability instructor Peter Durnan (and Chris Eacott on Monday 22nd May) for their instruction on safe cycling for 18 of our Year 6 children. Thank you too to Claire Bourne from Glenside Care who has donated 10 cycling helmets to school. Claire was here on Monday 22nd May to present the helmets along with Pat Sissons from Spire FM who did a "Small Talk" interview with some of our Year 6 children. Do try and catch the broadcast between Monday 5th and Friday 9th June, 8:30 am until 3:50 pm each day. The full interview will also be available on their website. Pat will be coming to Celebration Worship on Friday 9th June to hand out certificates to our Year 6 broadcasters.

Child of Hope

The children enjoyed a very special visit on Wednesday by Bex and Moses from the Child of Hope charity that we support. To continue our fundraising for Child of Hope the children have been practising their ball bouncing ready for our Sponsored Bounce on Friday 30th June, letters home

today. Please take the time to gain some sponsorship over the half term break ready for the event on 30th June. Thank you.

Awards

Congratulations to Penguins: **IB-I** on gaining her “75 Home Reads” Certificate to **HM** and **OT** on gaining their “150 Home Reads” Certificate and to **EP** and **ES** on gaining their “200 Home Reads” Certificate. Well done!

Raymond Brown

Following the visit from Raymond Brown last week, photographs are now available to view using the following parents’ portal: <http://ashmills.zenfolio.com/19thmay3> password is “awg”. If you want to download the high resolution electronic copies of them (Free Of Charge) just right click on the photos and click download, password to do so is “pr”. Hard copies can be bought online direct from the photographer or alternatively download them for free and just print at home.

FAWGS News

A huge ‘thank you’ to all of you who supported our evening of utter fabulousness that was Ladies Pamper Evening! Not only do you look wonderful, but you’ve helped to raise an almighty £521! Special thanks are due to Kate Macklin, Louise Compton and their wonderful team of helpers for all their hard work. We have also added a further £61 to the Jumble Sale Coffers, thanks to the proceeds from Bags2School.

As a result of installation issues regarding the new classroom touch screens, we are to use some of the afore-mentioned funds to purchase special stands. Please accept our apologies for the delay in installing them, but we sincerely hope they’ll be up and running by next week...(UPDATE: THEY’VE BEEN INSTALLED TODAY!)

Please note, that we have **amended the timings** of our **Scavenger Hunt** to: **10:00am – 1:00pm** on **Sunday 11th June**. This is in order to avoid clashing with other local events on the same day. We hope therefore that you will still be able to join us for this fun family event. Cakes and drinks will be available on the day for your refreshment. Speaking of which, we’re also hoping that you won’t mind if we ask for your help in providing said cakes for the event! More info to follow, but we thought we owed you some advance warning!

Next on the agenda is Father’s Day (Sunday 18th June, in case it’s not engraved in your memory)! We will be providing lovely home-made biscuits for those marvellous men in your lives, but we could do with some **willing helpers** for the requisite bake-off on **Sunday 4th June**. If you have some time to spare, please could you contact Minttu Bickerton, or email us at the address below. Full training will be provided on the job and I hear that it involves some **taste-testing** (for quality control purposes, you’ll understand)!

More advance warning: We will be running our lovely Filled Jar Stall once again at the Fete this year and are requesting that you lovely people donate a jar filled with something for this purpose, please. It could be hair bands, toys, jam, stationery... the list is endless, but if you are having a clear-out/stock up over half term, please remember us. We won’t require them until 30th June, but fore-warned is fore-armed, as they say... The same goes for our chocolate/bottle stall, but we won’t be requesting those donations until 7th July (‘please’ and ‘thank you’ muchly).

Thank you so much for your continued support. If you’d like to get more involved, please join us at our next meeting on **Wednesday 14th June, 7:30pm** at the **Three Crowns**. In the meantime, you can contact us via email: fawgs.committee@gmail.com, have a chat with us on the playground or leave a message via the office.

Diary Dates – new dates underlined

May

HALF TERM HOLIDAY 29th May- 2nd June

June

Monday 5th-

Wed 7th Year 6 residential to Braeside

Wednesday 7th June Year 3/4 Tennis at Riverside 11:30-3:00 (players invited)

Thursday 8th June New Parents Evening 5:00-6:00 pm (New Owls’ parents)

Sunday 11th FAWGS Scavenger Hunt at Kennel farm 10:00am-1:00pm

KEEP READING FOR MORE DIARY DATES

Monday 12 th - Friday 16 th	Year 1 phonics screener 'window' New fencing installed to front of school – please be aware of potential temporary routes on exits/entrances
Wednesday 14 th	Yr 5/6 Quad kids Athletics 1:00-3:30 (Athletes invited)
<u>Thursday 15th</u>	<u>9:10 am Zebras' class lead Worship</u>
Friday 16 th	Father's day goodies on sale after school
Monday 19 th	Y4, Y5, Y6 technical rehearsals at Salisbury Playhouse
Thursday 22 nd	Year 6 Leavers Service at Salisbury Cathedral
Monday 26 th June	School closed (TD DAY)
Wednesday 28 th	Year 6 to Longford Countryside Day
Thursday 29 th	Year 4 to Wilton House
Friday 30 th June	Child of hope 'sponsored bounce' School Disco
July	
Tuesday 4 th	"Beginners Please" final performance at Salisbury Playhouse
Wednesday 5 th	'Moving up morning' and Y6 taster day at Secondary school
Thursday 6 th	French day Pimms and Prom (details TBC)
Monday 10 th	Xplore St Marys (Y5, Y4, Y3) Details to follow
Tuesday 11 th	Xplore St Marys (YR, Y1, Y2)
Friday 14 th	Race Morning and reports home.
Saturday 15 th July	Summer Fete 2:30pm onwards
Monday 17 th	Report feedback 'drop in' for parents (with class teacher) 2:00-4:00pm
Tuesday 18 th	Reserve date for Race Morning

Best wishes,

Mr Paul Beveridge
Head Teacher